



# Town of Lexington - FY 2017-FY 2021 Capital Improvement Projects

**Project Name:** Granite Forest at Lincoln Park

**Date:** 26-Aug-15

**Project ID Number:** 976

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**Department:** Recreation

**Priority:** 2

**First Year Submission?** ☒ **Phone #:** 781-698-4801

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## Description of Project:

This request is for \$30,000 from the CPA to install a monumental work of "Public Art" at Lincoln Park. This is a public/private partnership of which \$30,000 is requested from the CPA and \$45,000 will be raised privately by the Lincoln Park Sub-Committee. The design calls for the installation of a notable landscape feature "The Granite Forest". The Granite Forest is a greenway corridor connecting the lower park to the upper park. It will have granite benches and will be landscaped with trees and shrubs. It will be located in the meadow between the multipurpose athletic field and the woodland/meadow gardens of Lincoln Park. This is along a high traffic path connecting the high school campus to the upper section of Lincoln Park. The primary material for the design started with the opportunity to utilize 11 antique granite foundation stones from the Issac Mulliken House built around 1850 and located at 2013 Massachusetts Ave. This house was being moved and renovated as part of the Inn at Hastings Park project. The granite was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kennealy. These 11 pieces of hand carved granite range in size from 5 feet to 11 feet and are a priceless reminder of earlier methods of building. Ultimately, it is the intent to have text carved into the granite adding a layer of ecology, history and poetry art. This is modeled after Thoreau's Path at Bisters Hill in Concord.

## Justification/Benefit:

The Granite Forest is to serve as a landmark, providing a gathering space for individuals using the nature path, the playground and the athletic fields. This much used and loved area serves as a quiet, peaceful link between the two major recreation areas in Town; The Center Recreation Complex and Lincoln Park. It will exemplify the principal of adaptive reuse and creativity in the park environment and will provide a window on the ecological and social processes which shape the landscape. The spirit of reclamation is alive at Lincoln Park as it continues its transformation from a landfill to a thriving recreational and nature treasure. It is also the location of the Teresa and Roberta Lee Fitness/Nature Path, Dick Kirk Overlook and the Azalea Woods.

## Impact if not completed:

The Town would lose this opportunity to connect the lower and upper park utilizing historical building material.

## Timeframe:

Fall 2016

## Replace. Freq:

0 Years

## Stakeholders:

Lexington residents

## Operating Budget Impact:

This project was initiated and will be maintained by the Lincoln Park Sub-Committee.

## Cost Analysis:

**Funding Source:** ☐ Levy ☒ CPA ☐ Revolving ☐ State Aid ☐ Water ☐ Sewer ☐ Recreation ☒ Private ☐ Other

## Capital Funding Request

976	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Totals
Site Acquisition	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Design/Engineer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Construction	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contingency	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>
<b>CPA Amt. Req.</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	

Recurring Cost

\$0.00

Maintenance Cycle

0 Years

CPA Purpose
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Open Space
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Recreation
<input type="radio"/> Historic
<input type="radio"/> Housing



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### **Basis of Cost Projection:**

Based on cost estimate by the architect in 2014 and a quote from a contractor.